तथा उद्योग के प्रत्येक खण्ड और सरकार/अन्य अभिकरणों के बीच पूर्ण समन्वय सुनिश्चित करके तेल उद्योग के तीन खण्डों अर्थात् जिसमें उत्पादन, तेल निष्कर्षण उद्योग और तेल प्रसंस्करण उद्योग का तेजी से विकास किया जा सकता है ।

(घ) से (च) वर्तमान प्रस्ताव केवल वैचारिक रूप में है तथा इसमें तेल बोर्ड के ढांचे और उसके कार्यों इत्यादि के सम्बन्ध में कोई ब्यौरा नहीं है । भारतीय वनस्पति उत्पादक संघ से इस विषय पर एक विस्तृत टिप्पण प्रस्तुत करने का अनुरोध किया गया है, ताकि सरकार इस प्रस्ताव की जांच कर सके ।

Rise in price of rice in FPS shops

3046. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the rise in price of rice in recent months in F.P.S.;

(b) whether Government have proposed adequate and necessary measures to bring down the price rise: and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) to (c) The Central Issue Price of rice for the Public Distribution System were last revised with effect from 1.2.1994. During recent months, no increase in the Central Issue Price of rice has been effected. Central Government has allowed the Food Corporation of India to sell rice as well as wheat in the open market for moderating open market price and for ensuring greater availability of foodgrains in the market. Adequate allocations for the Public Distribution System are also being made taking into account the demands received from various States and U.Ts.

Powers to MPs to check Public Distribution Shops

3047. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Members of Parliament are to be given the surprise check powers of Public Distribution Shops in order to instill strict vigil over day to day distribution to the public;

(b) if so, what are the details of such empowering by Government;

(c) if not, why not; and

(d) will Government think over giving supervisory authority of MPs to keep a vigil watch?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Powers to enter, search and size essential commodities from the premises of Fair Price Shops are exercisable only by officers of the Government as per delegation under the Essential Commodities Act. The operational responsibility for actual distribution of commodities to the consumers under the Public Distribution System is that of the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.